

REMARKS

Claims 19-34 are now pending in the application. By this amendment, Claims 1-18 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein and Claims 21-34 have been added. The basis for these new claims can be found throughout the specification, claims, and drawings originally filed. No new matter has been added. The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and are believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the remarks contained herein.

DRAWINGS

The drawings stand objected to for certain informalities. Applicant has attached revised drawings for the Examiner's approval. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 1-18 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-18 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully

requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-2, 4-5, and 11-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Adrian (U.S. Pat. No. 6,722,128).

This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant has cancelled Claims 1-18 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Therefore, Applicant respectfully submits that this rejection is moot. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicant acknowledges the allowance of Claims 19-20.

NEW CLAIMS

New Claims 21-34 are added for consideration. Of the new claims added, Claims 21 and 29 are independent Claims, each calling for a blow-off adaptor being disposed between a recirculation housing and a mounting plate. See Specification at pg. 6, Paragraph [0030] and FIG. 4 and 5. The Examiner in rejecting now-cancelled Claims 1-2, 4-5, and 11-12, cited U.S. Patent No. 6,722,128 to Adrian. Applicant respectfully submits that Adrian fails to teach a blow-off adaptor disposed between a recirculation housing and a mounting flange.

Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claims 21 and 29, as well as


Claims 22-28 and 30-34, respectively dependent therefrom, are in condition for allowance in light of allowable Claims 19-20.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 944-6500.

Respectfully submitted,

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